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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT WITHOUT TRAVERSE

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated July 8, 2003, requesting an election of one invention to prosecute in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants hereby provisionally elect to prosecute the invention of Group 1, without traverse, drawn to a nucleic acid encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:2, a host cell comprising said nucleic acid and a recombinant method to make a polypeptide. This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed. Applicants response is timely and no extensions are necessary.

If any fee is due in connection herewith, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-3880 of the undersigned. Furthermore, if any extension of time not already accounted for is required, such extension is hereby petitioned for, and it is requested that any fee due for said extension be charged to the above-stated Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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